

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR  
DESIGN  
PATENT APPLICATION  
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Attorney Docket No.

First Named Inventor

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Application Number

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Examiner Name

AS THE BELOW NAMED INVENTOR, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and or joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SUBSTRATE PROCESSING METHOD, SUBSTRATE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND COMPUTER-READABLE MEMORY MEDIUM

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

☒ was filed on December 7, 2004 as United States Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ or PCT International Application No. PCT/JP2004/018176 and was amended on \* (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by an amendment, if any, specifically referred to herein.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me that is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

**FOREIGN PRIORITY CLAIM**

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Attorney Docket No.:

| Application No. | Country | Date of Filing<br>(day/month/year) | Priority Claimed?   |
|-----------------|---------|------------------------------------|---|
| JP2003-420785   | Japan   | December 18, 2003                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
|                 |         |                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
|                 |         |                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
|                 |         |                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No            |

## CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONS

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119(e), of any United States provisional patent application(s) listed below:

| Application Serial No. | Filing Date |
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## CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of the United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information that is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available to me between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

| Application Serial No. | Filing Date | Status  |
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|                        |             | <input type="checkbox"/> Patented <input type="checkbox"/> Pending <input type="checkbox"/> Abandoned |
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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all of Morrison & Foerster, LLP, 555 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, CA 90013, jointly, and each of them severally, my attorneys at law/patent agent(s), with full power of substitution, delegation and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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